

**Lumpkin County**  
**Parks and Recreation Department**



9 and Up Baseball Rules

1. Each team will be responsible for keeping a pitching chart on all pitchers for each game played. The umpire must sign your chart after each game.
2. Pitching: Week is Monday thru Sunday. Ages 9/10 – 8 innings per week. Ages 11/12 – 10 innings per week. Ages 13 & up – 12 innings per week. If a child pitches one pitch in the 4<sup>th</sup> inning they must have the following mandatory rest hours before they can pitch again. Ages 9-12 must have 48 hours rest and ages 13 & up must have 36 hours rest. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**
3. No metal cleats allowed in any age group
4. Time limits: Ages 9-12 division games will be 1 hour 25 min. Ages 13 & older division games will be 1 hour 45 min. NO new inning will start with 5 min or less to go in the game.
5. Bat size: Any Dizzy Dean approved bat.
6. Ages 9 thru 12 will play 6 innings and 13 & older will play 7 innings
7. Run limit/complete game: Ages 9-12 – 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings. Ages 13 & up – 15 runs after 3 innings and 10 after 5 innings. **9/10 will have a 5 run limit in every inning.**
8. Each player must have played 2 innings on defense by the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> inning. Free defensive substitution after the 4<sup>th</sup> inning.
9. Pitching distances 9/10 – 46ft, 11/12 - 50ft, 13/14 – 54ft
10. Base distance: 9/10 – 60ft, 11/12 – 70ft, 13/14 – 80ft
11. Scorebooks will be provided to each team. The home team will be the official book. Visitors will keep the scoreboard.
12. Teams may play with 8 players; however, the 9<sup>th</sup> batter will be an out.
13. Each team will bat a continuous line-up of all players who show up for the game, with the exception of a player who cannot or will not participate because of injury or other reasons.
14. Any child that comes late will at least play half the required minimum. See new participation rules.
15. Coaches are responsible for making sure that all rules are followed.
16. **Rule books will be provided.**
17. The tie breaker rule will be used if a game is tied at the end of regulation play or time limit. Visiting team will start the new inning with a base runner on 2<sup>nd</sup> base with 2 outs. The base runner will be the last batter from the previous inning. The home team will do the same in the bottom half of the inning. This procedure will be followed in each inning until a winner is determined.
18. Championship is determined by the following:
  - A. Overall season record.
  - B. Head to head record
  - C. Championship game if a tie occurs